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BROWN) Group Art Unit: 1755
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Application No.: 10/801,348) Examiner: Hailey, P.
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FOR: "DEPOSITION OF DISPERSED METAL)
PARTICLES ONTO SUBSTRATES USING)
SUPERCRITICAL FLUIDS")

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith on the accompanying Form PTO 1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant and/or his attorneys. A copy of each of these documents is enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), in that a first Office Action on the merits of the present patent application has not yet been mailed to Applicant.

In accordance with the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(b)(3), Applicant would like to bring to the attention of the Examiner the existence of the co-pending patent application(s) identified below, which were filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office:

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6.	10/786,652	02/25/2004	Srinivas	03234.0018U3
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In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the above-referenced application specification(s), including the claims and drawings thereof, is enclosed.

Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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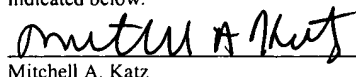
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